

# Daily Word

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# Class Thoughts

**PEACE . . .** In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.

**PRAYER FOR WORLD LEADERS:** Through the Christ mind you are unified in thought and purpose for the good of all humanity.

**AUG. 20 to SEPT. 19**

**ILLUMINATION (11 a. m.):** The light and love of the Holy Spirit is my teacher and help.

**PROSPERITY (12 noon):** I listen for the voice of the Holy Spirit, and I am in all ways guided and prospered.

**HEALING (9 p. m.):** Christ in me unites with the Holy Spirit, and I am healed.

**SEPT. 20 to OCT. 19**

**ILLUMINATION (11 a. m.):** God is the light of my life, and I walk in safety.

**PROSPERITY (12 noon):** The increase of my basket and store is in divine order.

**HEALING (9 p. m.):** God forgiveth all mine iniquities and healeth all my diseases.

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TAKE PART IN THE PEACE!

We are citizens of the world, not just of these blessed United States, and we have a part to play in bringing about right and just conditions in all the earth. We know that a righteous and just peace is for the good of the whole world, and we pray that great and understanding world leaders may come forth, those with love in their hearts for all humanity. We pray also that all international leaders may be guided and directed and inspired to do those things which are right for humanity.

Let us pray for our own President and leaders in governmental affairs, asking that they be inspired, guided, and directed; that through the Christ mind we of these United States may be united in thought and purpose for the good of our country. Then let us pray further that the leaders of all the nations of the earth may also be united in thought and purpose for the good of all humanity. Thus we take part in the peace, thus we promote unity in the world!

THROUGH THE CHRIST MIND WE ARE UNIFIED IN  
THOUGHT AND PURPOSE FOR THE GOOD OF ALL HUMANITY.

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# Man's Spirit Stands Indestructible

SILENT UNITY

WHAT IS IT that determines living or dying? How can we have faith in prayers for protection when in spite of such prayers, given with faith and fervency, the telegram comes: "The War Department regrets to inform you . . ." Questions like this have come often to Silent Unity during these war years, and we have thought much and prayed much about what to say in reply. We cannot give glib answers to hearts heavy with grief, and we dare not generalize or answer with a touch of spiritual smugness: "There has been a lack of faith." Our answer must be based on the best understanding we have of God, of life, of Truth. Our answer must be something like the following:

Prayer has not failed because the one you love has fallen in some far field. There is every reason to be grateful that you had the faith to pray earnestly and faithfully for him, that you asked the spiritual support of Silent Unity, for to a far greater degree than you can ever know your prayers were felt, your love went out on wings of Spirit, your blessing brought your loved one added strength, stirred in him new qualities of mind and heart that made him stronger, braver, abler to

perform his tasks. You cannot know the heights of spiritual stature he rose to, but you can know that he was lifted by your prayers; you cannot know what were his thoughts, his feelings, his reactions, but you can know that there was less fear, less downheartedness, more love and confidence and courage, more Godlike qualities expressed, because you prayed for him.

Prayer has not failed, and most certainly God has not failed. The way to sustained faith in God, in prayer, is the way of understanding, and we believe that the ideas we share with you here will help you take the larger view, will help you turn grief into a great comforting conception of life.

God does not will that men suffer and die, nor does He save one man because his prayers are more to God's liking and let another perish miserably. But God is in the heart of every man, God is the eternal Spirit of life, God is the eternal Spirit of good that cannot perish, cannot know defeat, cannot be extinguished though a thousand wars be fought, a million lives be lost.

To believe in the justice of God, to believe in the love of God, we must take a long-range view of life; that is, see life as without beginning or end; see birth and death as but incidents in man's eternal unfoldment. We must see men not as limited human beings subject to accident and death

but as souls learning, growing, progressing in life toward understanding and true fulfillment. In the last analysis each soul stands alone, each soul chooses with divine prescience the experiences that it needs. So while we can pray for another, we cannot know his soul, we cannot choose his soul experiences for him. But we can know for another, even as we know for ourselves, that something in him is equal to and greater than anything in the outer with which he has to contend.

Something in us tells us that outer dangers are not so hard to meet as inner fear; that death of the body is not as sad as death of the will to live; that accident to the body cannot actually touch the unchanging, indestructible spirit in man.

All who participate in war—which we think of as a sort of mass outworking of the idea of self-destruction that the race must overcome—do not escape what seems to human sense to be the sad and cruel and crushing results of war. But all who participate are living souls; all who participate gain in some degree, make some progress that means fulfillment for them. Those who participate cannot in the highest sense lose anything, even life; for in the highest sense, in the long-range view of things, no one can lose his life, no soul ever fails to find fulfillment, for behind us and

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The following is a blessing written for Silent Unity by a DAILY WORD reader. We think it is beautiful, and it means so much to us that we want to share it with you:

**God bless you of Silent Unity!**

Day in and day out and by night you send blessings out into uncounted numbers of lives.

You bless your God-sent literature.

You bless your God-written letters.

You bless the writers of your unopened mail.

You patiently read requests.

You carry these thousands of requests like precious bundles and lay them in the lap of the great Father-Mother God.

You bathe these letters with faith.

You answer them with kindness.

You send forth thoughts of Spirit-filled wisdom, Christ-touched healing, Father-sent love.

You arrange for divine adjustment in affairs, divine solution of problems, divine release of infinite substance.

You do all this without parade of name or personality. Because no single one of you shines as an outstanding agent in DAILY WORD or in your letters of reply you all shine together like a sky of luminaries as God sends His light through you.

You make us who receive your letters and use DAILY WORD feel that we are drawing help directly from the realms of Spirit resource, yet we know you are human, dwelling on this same earth with us, but heaven-directed.



SEPTEMBER 1

## Saturday

I AM A SPIRITUAL BEING, FREE FROM EVERY FALSE BELIEF AND CONDITION, AND I EXPRESS PERFECTION IN MIND, BODY, AND AFFAIRS.

EVERY PERSON is basically a free soul, with free will and the power to determine his life experiences. A person may have thought of himself as a mere mortal, he may have felt himself to be in bondage to the use of stimulants and drugs, to the acceptance of unnecessary responsibilities, to false sentiments and sympathies, but as he begins to think of himself as a spiritual being he finds himself on the path of freedom, he begins to live a happy, satisfying life.

There is no condition of mind, body, or affairs from which we cannot free ourselves by accepting the freedom of spirit that is our divine right. We can also help others find this freedom by seeing them always in the light of their spiritual identity.

When we pray we become aware of our spiritual nature. When we act from the wisdom and guidance we receive through prayer, we express the spiritual nature. This is the way we lift ourselves up out of the limiting ideas of the human self into the perfect freedom of spirit.

◆ *The truth shall make you free.*—JOHN 8:32.

# Sunday

SEPTEMBER 2

I LOVE THE LORD WITH ALL MY HEART, AND  
MY NEIGHBOR AS MYSELF.

THE GREATEST commandments given to the world are those concerning love: the love for God and the love of man for his fellows. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. . . . Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." The love of man for God and the love of man for man will bring to the world the great healing it needs.

I will help in the healing of the world by loving God, by letting His love be expressed through me toward my fellow man. I will let the love of God govern my thoughts; I will let my words and actions be loving. I will seek to know more of love, to know the true meaning of understanding, of compassion, of tolerance. I will let my love bless my fellow human beings, and I will begin now to "love my neighbor as myself." I will start now to love my fellow man, I will not wait until his thoughts and actions are in accord with mine. I do not seek to judge my fellow man, I seek to understand him.

✿ *If . . . thy brother hath ought against thee . . . first be reconciled to thy brother.*—MATT. 5:23, 24.

SEPTEMBER 3

## Monday

GOD IS IN CHARGE OF MY LIFE AND AFFAIRS,  
AND ALL IS WELL.

SOMEONE HAS SAID that these are times when a person could feel sad and unhappy and hopeless if he wanted to, and no one could blame him much, but that actually there never was a time when there was so much opportunity for spiritual growth.

From the moment of birth, change is the law of life, growth is the law of life. Even if we cannot see how some changes that come in our life contribute to spiritual growth for us, if we will keep always in our heart and mind the faith that we are children of God, that we are under His law of good, that He is in charge of our life and affairs, we shall find that every experience will yield a blessing to us.

Today give thanks that God is in charge of your life and affairs. Your faith in this truth will help you stand free, strong, wise, and loving. It will help you to be in expression the kind of person you know yourself to be in God's sight.

☛ *Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you . . .  
Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful.*  
—JOHN 14:27.

## Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 4

I WAIT ON THE LORD, AND HE STRENGTHENS  
MY HEART AND GIVES ME COURAGE IN EVERY  
CIRCUMSTANCE.

**I** TURN TO GOD in all matters, and He gives me strength. His courage is unfailing, His love and understanding without end.

I "wait on the LORD," and my heart finds strength that enables it to meet all events and circumstances. His guidance is mine, and in patience and faith I await His prompting to action.

I know there can be no problem set before me for which God has not the right answer. There is within me a full measure of courage to meet the demands made upon me. I go forward on all roads on wings of faith.

In God's strength is quietness and calmness; in His strength is meaning and purpose. I turn to Him in all things and wait upon Him. His courage carries the blessings of peace and love, and I go forward with a sense of sure protection, eager to perform my tasks rightly with benefit to all. I am willing to learn, to grow, to unfold spiritually.

✿ *Wait on the LORD; be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart.*—PSALMS 27:14 (A. V.).

SEPTEMBER 5

## Wednesday

I AM FILLED WITH THE ENERGIZING LIFE OF THE SPIRIT, AND I AM STRONG, FREE, VITAL.

WHEN WE UNDERSTAND the truth of our oneness with the life of Spirit, we understand that there is no limit to the energy and vitality that is ours every moment of our life. Every cell of our body is created out of the very life of Spirit, and as we accept this truth about ourselves we release this vibrant life to flow freely and unceasingly through us to quicken the action of the brain, to adjust all imperfection in the body, to free us from all tiredness and sluggishness, and to make us strong and new.

To get a sustaining realization of your oneness with the pure and perfect life of Spirit it is good to practice being very still and to give yourself over to the awareness of the life of Spirit, to feel its quickening throughout the body. Daily practice of this awareness builds up a consciousness that sustains you in life and strength through strenuous or challenging times and increases your physical and mental capacity and your endurance.

✱ *It is the spirit that giveth life . . . the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life.—JOHN 6:63.*

# Thursday

SEPTEMBER 6

THIS INSTANT GOD IS PRESENT IN EVERY SITUATION IN MY LIFE.

**N**O MATTER WHAT situation confronts you today you can find assurance and peace in today's affirmation of Truth. God is present today in every contact you make with others. God is present now as peace, justice, harmony, and love in your life. In the assurance of His omnipresence is the realization of the instant presence of God in all things. In the healing of sickness, it is by instantly realizing God's presence as perfect health that you open the way for the inflow of strength and health. In the overcoming of lack, it is the realization that God is instantly present in you and your affairs that opens the way for the supply, the ideas, the guidance that will meet your need.

At the first appearance of heartache or worry or depression, be still and know that at this very instant God is present as all the love you need, as faith in yourself and others, and as your sustaining confidence that all is well. This instant God is present in every situation in your life.

☛ *He is not far from each one of us: for in him we live, and move, and have our being.—ACTS 17:27, 28.*

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THE GUIDING LIGHT OF SPIRIT SHINES BEFORE  
ME AND MAKES CLEAR MY WAY.

**W**HEN AFTER praying for guidance you have been led to take a certain step, you can know that for the time being at least it is the right move regardless of how things may seem. It is not wise to look back constantly to wonder if you should have taken some other way. As the child of a loving Father, assume that because you have asked for guidance you have received, even though your present understanding may not enable you to see His whole plan of good at once. When you know that there is only good (God) you know that you cannot escape your good. That is why the Scriptures tell us that all things work together for good to those who love God.

By looking for the good on the way you have chosen and giving thanks for it, you increase your awareness of the Father's infinite good. Thus you go from glory to glory, not only in consciousness but in all outer things that contribute to your well-being and happiness.

✽ *Then shall thy light rise in darkness . . . and Jehovah will guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul.—ISA. 58:10, 11.*

# Saturday

SEPTEMBER 8

I LIVE MY LIFE IN JOY AND FAITH AND PROVE MYSELF TO BE ON THE SIDE OF GOD.

IT HAS BEEN said that it is not as important that God be on our side as it is that we be on God's side.

We are on the side of God when we are on the side of good, when we believe, despite appearances, in the ultimate outworking of the good in our own life and in the world.

We are on the side of God when we are on the side of love, when we believe in the power of love over hate, when we express the love of God in terms of humanness, kindness, generosity, tolerance, understanding.

We are on the side of God when we believe in people as children of God, when we see His Spirit in those about us, when we recognize the fineness and the worth of ordinary human beings.

We are on the side of God when we believe in Him as present with us, when we know that in Him we live and move and have our being, when we realize that our highest thoughts, our best reactions, our noblest endeavors are God Himself thinking, speaking, acting through us.

• *The sum of thy word is truth.*—PSALMS 119:160.



## I AND THE FATHER ARE ONE.

JESUS ANSWERED those who questioned His right to say, "I and the Father are one," by saying, "Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are Gods?" "Say ye . . . Thou blasphemest: because I said, I am *the* Son of God? If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. But if I do them though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father."

We are each one, like Jesus Christ, the son of God, and like Him we can proclaim, "I and the Father are one" and "I am a son of God." But it is good for us to understand, as Jesus understood, that what we proclaim ourselves to be is justified only by what we prove ourselves to be. We do not need to remind other persons that we have the Spirit of God in us. Divinity expressed is always recognized. We may have thought of divinity expressed as being mystical and unusual, but divinity finds expression in "works" that may seem quite ordinary. Kindness and love and generosity and tolerance and understanding expressed in everyday living prove awareness of our sonship.

✱ *I am in the Father.*—JOHN 14:10.

# Monday

SEPTEMBER 10

MY MIND IS ILLUMINED WITH THE LIGHT OF TRUTH, AND I SEE CLEARLY AND UNDERSTAND PERFECTLY ALL THE DEEP THINGS OF SPIRIT.

PAUL GAVE US light on our spiritual heritage in saying, "We received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that were freely given to us of God."

The things that are freely given to us of God are spiritual qualities such as life, love, and power. When we become aware of the Spirit of God in us, we know life in our body, love in our heart; we are filled with the power of Spirit that gives force and purpose to our living. It is only when our mind is illumined with the light of Truth that we can conceive of the abundant life the Father would have us seek and live.

Today I begin anew to contemplate the deep things of Spirit. The desire of my heart is to know, to experience, and to demonstrate the gifts of God that were freely given to me, hence await my claim.

✿ *For the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.*—I COR. 2:10.

The daily lessons for September 10 to 16 follow the theme of Lessons in Truth Week. See inside back cover.

## Tuesday

THERE IS NOTHING IN ALL THE UNIVERSE FOR ME TO FEAR, FOR GREATER IS HE THAT IS WITHIN ME THAN HE THAT IS IN THE WORLD.

TODAY I LET go of every fear that has bound me and prevented me from being truly joyous and free with the freedom of Spirit. These fears were conceived only in mortal mind, with its race-imposed limitations, and have in them only the power I give them by my thought. By turning my every thought to God I become conscious of His love, protection, and power. I become fearless! I become joyous and free!

I am free from fear of any lack, because I know my own shall come to me; nothing but my own thought can separate me from my good. I am free from fear of any place to which I must go, because I know that God is there before me and is in and around me to direct my path. I am free from fear of failure in any work I undertake, because greater is He that is within me as divine intelligence than the demands of the work I am called upon to do.

There is nothing to fear, for greater is he that is within me than he that is in the world.

\* *Greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world.*—I JOHN 4:4.

## Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 12

I HAVE FAITH IN GOD AND IN HIS POWER TO ACCOMPLISH THROUGH ME ALL THAT I DESIRE TO DO.

WHEN I REALIZE that God is the source of infinite supply and is a rich, loving Father who desires that His children live as true heirs to His kingdom, I have faith that He can and will help me.

My faith in God and in His power to accomplish through me all that I desire to do is as enduring as the desire itself, because both faith and desire are eternal gifts implanted in me by my heavenly Father. Any desire in my heart to reach a high goal is first God's desire to express Himself through me as my everlasting good. "Desire in the heart," says H. Emilie Cady, "is always God tapping at the door of your consciousness with His infinite supply—a supply which is forever useless unless there be a demand for it."

Today I give the substance of my faith and the power of my word to the loftiest dream in my heart in the knowledge that God can accomplish through me all that I desire to do.

✿ *He will give thee the desires of thy heart.*—PSALMS 37:4.

I AND THE FATHER ARE ONE, AND I FORGIVE  
AS THE FATHER FORGIVES.

AS I DECLARE the words of Jesus "I and the Father are one" I partake of His great love for me, His child, and I radiate this love to all mankind. Just as the Father does not withhold His love I do not withhold divine love from any of my fellow men.

The test of my love for all my fellow men is my willingness to forgive them. Jesus met this test by saying in His most trying hours, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

In my oneness with the Father I forgive as He forgives. All my mortal resentments I replace with divine love. I let love dissolve all bitterness in my heart. I no longer hold any thought of loss or ill treatment, for I and the Father are one, and no harm can come to me.

My part is to love, love, love; to return good always; and to forgive as my heavenly Father forgives.

• *Even as the Lord forgave you, so also do ye: and above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.*—COL. 3:13-15.

# The Heart's Desire

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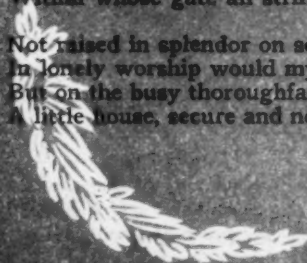


Let me build with wisdom, Lord, with love,  
This precious temple where Your love must shine.  
Let me not build with narrow door or window,  
Lord, the temple of the heart's design.

But roofed in beauty let my life's house stand  
In simple welcome to the passer-by,  
Walled with quiet confidence, as full  
Of peace and healing as an evening sky.

Let me build with courage, Lord, and strength,  
A place of refuge and a place of peace,  
Against whose door no tumult may prevail,  
Within whose gate all strife and struggle cease.

Not raised in splendor on some distant hill  
In lonely worship would my heart's home be,  
But on the busy thoroughfare of life,  
A little house, secure and neighborly.



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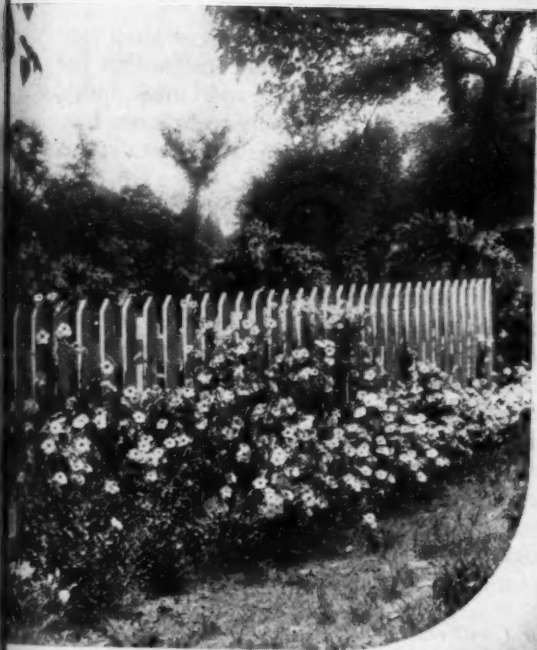
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*Friday*

SEPTEMBER 14

MY MIND AND HEART ARE NOW INSPIRED  
WITH THE REALIZATION THAT CHRIST  
WITHIN ME IS MY LIFE AND HEALTH.

**M**Y MIND AND heart are now inspired with the realization that Christ within me is my life and health, and I think, speak, and act in accordance with this realization. I realize the power that created me also recreates me, restores me, and sustains me.

My mind and heart are now lifted by the awareness of Christ in me as life—life so abundant that it expresses itself in and through my mind and body as radiant health. Through the Christ within me my body is free to express wholeness and perfection so that the divine plan and purpose of my life may be fulfilled easily and triumphantly.

Knowing that Christ in me is my perfect health, I now let go of all tension and rigidity. I now claim abundant life flowing through me freely and completely. I now pray: Let Thy will of life be done in me. Let Thy abundant life be expressed through me to make me whole. Let thy divine purpose for my life be fulfilled.

✿ *For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith Jehovah.—JER. 30:17.*



## Saturday

THROUGH CHRIST I NOW STIR UP THE GIFT OF GOD THAT IS IN ME, AND HIS SPIRIT FINDS PERFECT EXPRESSION THROUGH ME.

JESUS WITH HIS perfect understanding of the eternalness of Himself as a spiritual being lived in the flesh to show all men how they also could give expression to God's gift of life.

It is with the same understanding Jesus had, with the same Christ mind in us, that we are to stir up, to bring into activity, this great gift of God in us. We can manifest eternal life by our radiant, free expression of the joy of living. We are one with God, one with His never-beginning, never-ending life. Through Christ we realize the timelessness of Spirit, and time is no longer our taskmaster. As we devote ourselves to divine expression we are ever renewed and sustained.

Today we realize more than ever before the sustaining, vitalizing, renewing power of Spirit that makes it possible for us to know eternalness in God. Today we soar with power above the costly weariness of human effort. We are those of whom it is said: "Jehovah shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles."

♣ *The free gift of God is eternal life.*—ROM. 6:23.

# Sunday

SEPTEMBER 16

I AM UNFETTERED, UNBOUND, TRIUMPHANT,  
GLORIOUS, SPLENDID, FREE!

**I**N *Lessons in Truth* H. Emilie Cady declares that it is time for us to know that we are not servants or slaves but children of God. As God's children we are "heirs to all wisdom, so that we need not, through any lack of wisdom, make mistakes; heirs to all love, so that we need know no fear or envy or jealousy, heirs to all strength, all life, all power, all good."

When we can fully realize and accept our divine inheritance of wisdom, love, and strength we are free of all mortal limitation. When we truly know ourselves as joint heirs with Christ we can rise above problems by being able to solve them with wisdom and love and thus remove from ourselves all fetters and bonds. Conscious of our divine heritage, we see ourselves surrounded only with good, hence human fears lose their power over us. Made confident by God's wisdom, love, and strength, we walk forward triumphantly each day, and our achievements are glorious and splendid.

✿ *Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free.—GAL. 5:1 (A. V.).*

SEPTEMBER 17

## Monday

MY TRUST IS IN GOD, AND I AM POISED AT ALL TIMES.

WHEN YOUR whole trust is in God, when you acknowledge that He is the controlling power in your life, you become a poised person in mind, body, and spirit. Control of your thoughts and emotions through the Christ Spirit within you blesses you with a calm, orderly mind and a tranquil, serene spirit. Training and control of the muscles of the body is manifested in a graceful, well-balanced body.

Begin each day by acknowledging your trust in God. Free your mind from thoughts of doubt and fear and personal responsibility and know that God is in charge of your life and affairs. Affirm that His life activates your body, making you well co-ordinated physically. Know that His peace and order are established in your mind, giving you poise to see you through every situation. Let His peace and serenity pervade your heart, giving you harmony and emotional stability. As you let go of the thoughts and feelings that make you tense and let trust in God fill your heart and mind you will become truly poised, and you will be truly blessed.

✿ *Put your trust in Jehovah.*—PSALMS 4:5.

# Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 18

PEACE AND ORDER ARE ESTABLISHED IN MY LIFE AND AFFAIRS, AND IN THE ENTIRE WORLD, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.

AS STUDENTS of Truth there is within each of us a deep desire to live in an orderly world, to see peace and harmony established in all the countries that have been disorganized through war. We want chaos to vanish from the earth and to see all people dwell together in unity and fellowship.

Perhaps you feel that as just one individual it is not possible for you to help make right universal conditions that have been brought about through many men's greed and desire for power. You do have an important part however in decreeing and establishing peace in the countries of Europe and Asia as well as in America, and it begins within you. As you are peaceful in your own relationships, as you are fair and just in your dealings with others, as you are orderly in your own thoughts and actions, you are doing your share toward bringing about world peace and unity, you are living your prayers for peace.

✿ *Keep the unity of Spirit in the bond of peace.—EPH. 4:3.*

SEPTEMBER 19

## Wednesday

I AM AT PEACE BECAUSE MY THOUGHTS ARE  
CENTERED IN THEE.

“**T**HOU HAST made us for Thyself, and our hearts are restless until they repose in Thee.” The far country to which the prodigal son traveled was really that realm of consciousness in himself in which he had no awareness of the presence of God. The husks on which he fed were the empty thoughts that held no recognition of himself as a son of God.

Many of us wander into a far country, some of us reside there, but eventually there comes the cry of the soul to return to the Father's house. There we again become clothed with the garment of righteousness, the shoes of new understanding, the ring of unending, eternal love.

How far are we from heaven? The poet answers,

“Not very far, my friend;

A single hearty step will all thy journey end.” We need but turn our thoughts to God to find a loving welcome awaiting us. There is no condemnation in the heart of God for our mistakes, our wanderings; there is only the blessing of His love.

♣ *I will arise and go to my Father.*—LUKE 15:18.

# Thursday

SEPTEMBER 20

GOD IS THE LIGHT OF MY LIFE, AND I WALK  
IN SAFETY.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

IT is well for us to remember that wherever we may be, whatever our mission may be, we do not walk alone. The Spirit of God, the holy protector, is with us always, guiding, helping, and directing us. Though we may be called upon to walk through the valley of the shadow, let us say with the Psalmist: "I will fear no evil; for thou art with me."

The salvation that God shows us is not limited to a future life. It is ours momentarily as we walk in faith uprightly, as befits a child of God, and with the inner conviction that the Good Shepherd is in charge of our life.

In affirming our prayer for today we unify ourselves with Almightyness. God the Father almighty has given His angels charge over us, to keep us in all our ways, to guide our feet into paths of peace, joy, harmony, and plenty. He removes stumbling blocks from our path. Our way is filled with gentleness and love. In His light we see light, only sunny hours.

☛ *Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt . . . save me.*—PSALMS 138:7.

SEPTEMBER 21

## Friday

THE INCREASE OF MY BASKET AND STORE IS  
IN DIVINE ORDER.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

STUDENTS of the law of divine supply are agreed that God wants us, His children, to prosper and to have plenty, but that we must use good judgment in using the supply that we have if it is to continue to increase. "Waste not, want not" is a concise statement of this law, for until we learn to handle substance wisely we do not have enduring prosperity.

For every need there is in God instant, constant, and abundant supply. A need cannot continue to exist when the thought is turned from the need to God. So if we appear to require a greater manifestation of substance in our life, let us first of all know that our life is in divine order because God is directing our affairs.

We shall find that when we thus relinquish our problem into God's care our need is met in divinely marvelous ways. The supply to meet every need comes to us in divine order, and opulently. The increase of my basket and store are in divine order.

*Thou openest thy hand.*

*And satisfiest the desire of every living thing.*

—PSALMS 145:16.

# Saturday

SEPTEMBER 22

GOD FORGIVETH ALL MINE INIQUITIES, AND  
HEALETH ALL MY DISEASES.—UNITY CLASS  
THOUGHT.

DEAR Father-God, I come to Thee in faith and love that I may see Thy healing manifest in me. I now am loving, calm, and kind; I now have peace in heart and mind; I now can see, who once was blind.

My Father-God, from Thy great store of love untold I see outpour forgiveness that I need, and more. And I who have been full of grief, rejoice in Thee who art relief, for Thou hast healed mine unbelief.

Because Thou hast forgiven me and freed me from iniquity, my health now springs forth speedily. To Thee my joyful songs upswell, for Thou hast healed me. I am well in mind and body, every cell made perfect. Now I magnify Thy name, O Father. Glorify Thyself in me, and I will praise Thy holy name through all the days. By Thee I am blessed in countless ways.

*Bless Jehovah, O my soul,  
And forget not all his benefits:  
Who forgiveth all thine iniquities;  
Who healeth all thy diseases.*

—PSALMS 103:2, 3.



# Sunday

I EXPRESS THE GOOD IN ALL THAT I THINK  
AND SAY AND DO, AND THE DIVINE PATTERN  
OF MY LIFE IS UNFOLDED.

**W**ITHIN EACH of us is a divine pattern of perfection. The urge within us to grow and to express more of God, more of good, comes from our innate awareness of our divine potentialities. As we open our mind to the idea that there can be glorious fulfillment for the desires of our heart we widen and expand our consciousness until it includes all the good that is in the divine pattern of our life.

We should continually keep our eyes lifted to the vision of our spiritual reality and perfection. If we have believed ourselves to be subject to sickness, inharmony, or lack, we can begin at once to change our life by changing our thoughts. When we get a clear picture of what we really are, namely children of God, joint heirs with Jesus Christ to the kingdom of all the good there is, we can mold our life according to the divine pattern.

By remembering that our life is patterned for perfection, we loose ourselves from limitations and live triumphant lives.

♣ *Hold the pattern . . . in faith and love.*—II TIM. 1:13.

# Monday

SEPTEMBER 24

I WILL TURN TO GOD FOR MY GUIDANCE  
TODAY.

I WILL NO LONGER be buffeted on the winds of indecision and doubt; I will turn to God for my guidance today. I will pray that He teach me to do His will, and I will trust His word and follow His way in all things.

In turning to God I shall learn stability, for I know His answers are the right ones. There will be no need for me to waver this way or that; to wonder if this be the road or that be the path. In turning to God my way is unmistakable.

In seeking God for guidance, I shall be of greater help to all persons with whom I have contact; for His will is right, and His way is of benefit to all.

In learning God's will I walk with surer step, with clearer vision, and I am better able to serve; for my mind is sure of itself and filled with purpose, and the love of God is expressed through me in service to my fellow men.

I will turn to God for my guidance today.

*Teach me to do thy will;  
For thou art my God.*

—PSALMS 143:10.

I BELIEVE IN THE FORGIVING LOVE AND  
GRACE OF GOD.

**T**O BELIEVE fully and completely in the forgiving love and grace of God is to know that the very moment we turn to God in prayer we can be freed from all mistakes of the past. The forgiving love and grace of God can instantly dissolve bitterness, resentment, and condemnation.

Not only do many of us find it necessary to forgive another for something that does not meet our approval, but it is often necessary to forgive ourselves for deeds that continue to haunt our memory. Many of us wish we might retrace our steps in life and start all over again, because we cannot seem to forget some mistakes we have made, but we must remember it is only by living that we learn and gain a larger vision.

No matter what we have done or what circumstances caused us to do it, we can reorder and make our life a better life because experience teaches us what is detrimental to our growth and gives us a vision of the things in life that are better.

• *There is forgiveness with thee.*—PSALMS 130:4.

# Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 26

THE LIGHT OF GOD SURROUNDS YOU; THE LOVE OF GOD INFOLDS YOU; THE POWER OF GOD PROTECTS YOU; THE PRESENCE OF GOD WATCHES OVER YOU. WHEREVER YOU ARE GOD IS.

**T**HIS PRAYER is one that Silent Unity uses every day to bless the men and women in the service of their country. We use it also to bless the men who are making the transition from soldier to civilian; we use it to bless those who need mental, emotional, and physical stability. We use it too as a blessing for the wives, mothers, friends, the families here at home, that they may have confidence concerning the ones they love.

If you are in service, if you would bless someone in service, use this prayer with us. If you are anxious about a loved one or if you would help someone who is anxious about a loved one, use this prayer. When you say these words you may know that Silent Unity is with you in love, in faith, in thought; that added to your blessing for another is Silent Unity's blessing; that added to your prayers for yourself are Silent Unity's prayers.

✿ *He will give his angels charge over thee.*—PSALMS 91:11.

I AM SECURE IN THE KNOWLEDGE THAT GOD LOVES ME AND APPROVES OF WHAT I DO.

**I**N PERSONAL consciousness you may sometimes become discouraged and feel cut off from God's love and approval because you do not always measure up and sometimes miss the mark of perfection. At such times you must especially realize that you cannot be separated from God's love and His infinite mercy. Do not condemn yourself for mistakes, for there is no condemnation in God's love toward you but only divine compassion and forgiveness.

Whenever you feel unsure or inadequate within yourself, you will be unfailingly strengthened, sustained, and guided by acknowledging God's love and approval. This consciousness of love will pervade your heart, and you will be at peace.

So forgive yourself each day for any mistakes, and rest in the assurance that God has forgiven you and placed the stamp of His divine approval on your efforts toward good. As you do this, doubt and discouragement will disappear and good will be victorious in your life.

✱ *The God of love and peace shall be with you.*—II COR. 13:11.

# Friday

SEPTEMBER 28

THE PEACE OF GOD IS PRESENT IN THIS MOMENT, THEREFORE I ACCEPT PEACE.

**T**HIS MOMENT I become still and accept the peace of the Infinite. Its deep currents of restfulness fill my whole being. I listen to the words "Be still and know that I am peace." Every nerve and every muscle relaxes as I abide in the great peace of God and feel its healing, harmonizing currents flowing through me.

Why have I closed my heart so long to the peace of God? Why have I not allowed this sweet peace to enter my soul? The world can continue its noisy clamor, but in this moment I accept the peace of God. Its sweet serenity calms my soul.

The peace of the Infinite is present in this moment. Until I accept peace I am delaying the moment when I shall know the fullness of peace. The peace of God is within me. It has always been there. It will always be there, but unless I recognize it and accept it the blessing of peace evades me. I accept the infinite peace of God. I rest in deep peace.

♣ *Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways. The Lord be with you all.*—II THESS. 3:16.

SEPTEMBER 29

## Saturday

I AM A CHILD OF GOD, AND I INHERIT UNLIMITED SUPPLY.

WE THINK of money and the things money will buy as being of the material world. When we first learn in Truth that we are children of God and inherit all that He has, it is not always easy for us to understand how to claim this inheritance and bring it into our daily lives as money and the material necessities and comforts of life.

First it takes a change in thought. We must cease thinking of ourselves as lacking in any way and begin to think of ourselves as persons with unlimited opportunities and unrestricted capabilities. We must think of God as active force and substance moving through our affairs to bless us with ideas, direction, ability, and supply.

Secondly, we must establish this change of thought so firmly within our consciousness that to look to God for the fulfillment of every need becomes the natural and unstudied reaction. We do this through regular and conscientious prayer, through the realization and acceptance of the all-sufficiency of God as our inheritance.

✱ *My God shall supply every need.*—PHIL. 4:19.

## Sunday

SEPTEMBER 30

THROUGH THE LIFE AND LOVE AND BEAUTY  
OF CHRIST I AM ALWAYS ONE WITH MY OWN.

IT IS wonderful to know that we can never, never be separated from our own. It is love and understanding and appreciation that bind us to our own, and these are qualities of the Christ nature, which is enduring and eternal. It is the Christ nature that sustains us through the challenges of human separation and lifts us up in heart and mind to the realization of our enduring oneness with all that we love.

When we know the truth about our spiritual oneness, we are not fearful or sad about human separations, nor do we feel that our happiness is bound up with certain localities or personalities. We realize that wherever our loved ones are we are always one with them in the Christ, the true identity of us all. We realize that Christ in us makes us responsive to the good everywhere.

Through daily close communion with the Christ Spirit of life and love and beauty we build up a consciousness that keeps us aware of our oneness with everyone and everything we love everywhere.

♣ *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?*  
—ROM. 8:35.



## *Man's Spirit Stands Indestructible*

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before us stretches all eternity. Nothing can come to us, nothing can happen to us that can in Truth separate us from life, from love, from God, from our good. He who lives through war as well as he who dies because of war still is and ever shall be an individual soul, learning and growing through his experiences; the Spirit in him always stands indestructible; always he faces the light of the eternal day.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or anguish, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? . . . Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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*Notice to our readers:* Many of you requested that we print the poem "The Traveler," by James Dillet Freeman, which appeared in DAILY WORD for March, 1945, separately so that you could share it with friends in need of comfort. The poem is now available in a beautiful folder. The price is five cents.

## Dare to Trust God!

Do you need help in meeting your needs and straightening out your difficulties? Perhaps you have felt that you were at "the end of your rope," as is sometimes said. To this Dana Gatlin, author of *God Is the Answer*, makes this reply: "Very well, then, give up the rope! Swing out—on God! Dare to trust God!"

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for," and if you want to strengthen your faith in God so that you dare to trust Him with your problems, to rely on Him for your supply, and to have faith in Him to guide you in your affairs, send for a Prosperity Bank and begin at once to use the Bank drill. Make a practice of beginning your day with the Bank prayer; and know that Silent Unity is praying with you in the assurance that God is the source of your prosperity and success.

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Take These Five Steps toward Better Living  
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3. Overcome any feeling of timidity.
4. Learn more about the potency of prayer.
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You may obtain LESSONS IN TRUTH (study guide included) from your local Unity center or by writing direct to us.

*The price is \$1 for the standard edition and \$2 a copy for the de luxe edition.*

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## *Am I Less than Lark or Gull*

James Dillet Freeman

Am I less than lark or gull  
That I halt here, earth-bound, dull,  
While the heave of heaven rings  
With the surge and urge of flight?  
Do I too not have wings  
To soar and dive and hover,  
To fuse with wind and light,  
To be intimate with sky,  
The air's audacious lover?  
Shall I be afraid to try?

O my soul, your fears are molted.  
Boldly venture, swiftly rise!  
Fling yourself across the skies,  
The vast, the thunderbolted,  
Outward driving, upward striving  
As a life is meant to be,  
Winged and beautiful and free!

